

getting ready for your visa interview As part of your visa application process, you may have to attend a visa interview in person or by telephone.

This booklet contains a list of the sorts of questions visa officers might ask. This is just intended as guidance to help you prepare, but you could be asked anything.

Here are a few things to bear in mind:

Do attend

Failure to attend the interview may result in your application being automatically refused. In the event you cannot attend, contact the Visa Office to reschedule.

Do answer

You should always answer all questions fully and honestly.

Do think

You should think in advance about your course, the documents you provided in your visa application, and your intention to study. The UKBA want to know that you have given serious thought before deciding on this course.

Do speak in English!

One of the most important things they will be checking is your level of English, so always answer in English, not via an interpreter.

Do ask

Ask for clarification if you do not understand a question to make sure you are providing the information they want.

General information

1. What is the name of the school?

This may not be the same as the name of the

Tier 4 licence holder – both are on the CAS statement.

2. Did you use an
educational agent at
any stage (even if you
stopped using them)?
Who is/was your agent



Who is/was your agent and why did you choose them?

- 3. Why do you wish to study in the UK? Did you consider any other countries? Why not stay in your own country to study, if the course is available there?
- 4. What is your plan after completing the course? Do you intend to stay in the UK (for additional studies) or are you returning home?
- 5. If you are changing course or study pathway, why are you are making such a change of direction in your studies?

Intended Course(s)

- 1. What is the course name and academic level? What qualification will you get after the course if you pass? This is all on your CAS and/or offer letter.
- 2. When does the course start and finish? How many terms/semesters is it?
- 3. What are the modules/subjects of the course? What will you study during the course? You can find all this information on the centre website.
- 4. Did you do any research before choosing the school/course? What other schools/courses did you consider, and why did you decide on this one?
- 5. How is this course going to benefit you for your future career and/or academic plans?

Financial Circumstances

- 1. Who is going to pay your fees? Where did they get the money? What is their salary? Who is paying your living costs?
- 2. You might need to provide documents to support the financial evidence, such as bank statements. Do you have all of these?
- 3. Do you know how much it costs to live in the UK both the level the UKBA sets, but also what you might spend on day to day items such as food and accommodation?
- 4. Do you know the total cost of the course?



Living in the UK



- 1. Where is the school (both in the UK, and in the city)?
- 2. Have you arranged accommodation? If not, why not? How will you/did you find it?
- 3. How much does accommodation cost in the city where you are studying?

4. How will you get from the accommodation to the school (bus, train etc)?

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